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June 23, 1924

Mr. Sidney P. Noe, Librarian American Numismatic Society 158th Street and Broadway New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:

Last year Dr. R. A. F. Penrose, Jr., who was the first President of the Society of Economic Geologists (1920-1921), founded a gold medal to be presented by the Council of the Society not oftener than once in three years in recognition of outstanding work in the earth sciences. The recipient need not be a member of this or any other society. Also the award is not restricted to any particular country.

Although the Society is young it is international in its scope, and its membership already includes representatives of nearly every civilized portion of the globe. A high professional standard for membership has been maintained and it is not expected that it will ever run into large numbers. There are not quite 200 members at present, and probably not more than 250 or possibly 300 living geologists are eligible to membership. While emphasizing the application of geology to economic problems, the Society stands emphatically for the promotion of research in the earth sciences as the only basis for continued progress.

Besides the first copy of the gold medal, which is now in my hands, as Treasurer of the Society, I have also a bronze replica which I shall be glad to turn over to the American Numismatic Society, if it would be of any special interest to the Society or if you can give it a place in the splendid collections in your Museum.

With best wishes and kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours

Treasurer.

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July 12, 1924

Sydney P. Noe, Esq., Librarian and Sec'y
The American Numismatic Socnety
Broadway and 156th Street, New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:

I am sending you by insured parcel post the bronze replica of the Penrose medal of the Society of Economic Geologists about which we were recenty in correspondence.

This international medal, to be awarded by the only international geological society, is expected to take its place among the awards of distinction when it comes to be known. The first award has not yet been made. I am very glad to have it represented in the splendid collections of the American Numismatic Society.

Cordially yours

P.S. I am typing with a lame finger today. Please pardon the numerous blunders.

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July 31st, 1924.

Mr. E.T. Newell, President, American Numismatic Society, Broadway and 156th St., New York City.

Dear Sir:

Some little time ago, your Society was presented with a replica of the Penrose Medal of the Society of Economic Geologists.

I infer from Mr. Sydney P. Noe's letter of acknowledgment to our Treasurer, Mr. J. Volney Lewis, that he believes the medal described as bronze. In reality the Penrose Medal of the Society of Economic Geologists is a gold medal and the one sent you is a replica thereof.

I should appreciate it as a great favor if on the label such a statement were made.

Thanking you in advance for the courtesy, I am

Yours very truly,

Secretary.